BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2021-71-T - ORDER NO. 2021-388

JULY 2, 2021

IN RE:	Petition of the Office of Regulatory)	ORDER REVOKING
	Staff to Revoke Certain Certificates of)	CERTIFICATES
	Public Convenience and Necessity of)	
	Certain Motor Carriers for Failure to)	
	Maintain and File Evidence of)	
	Insurance)	

I. INTRODUCTION

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (Commission) by way of Petition of the Office of Regulatory Staff (ORS) for an order revoking certain certificates of public convenience and necessity of certain motor carriers for their failure to maintain and file evidence of insurance as statutorily required. After careful review of the evidence and the law, we grant the Petition of ORS to revoke the certificates of the motor carriers enumerated in its attached Revised Exhibit A, which is incorporated in this Order as Order Exhibit 1.

II. FACTS AND PROCEDURAL HISTORY

On March 2, 2021, ORS filed a petition with the Commission to revoke certain certificates for failure of the motor carrier to maintain insurance. The petition included two exhibits—Exhibit A listed the names of ninety-nine motor carriers who were not in compliance with the law and the Affidavit of Carole Chauvin, ORS Program Specialist, attested to the motor carriers' failure to provide proof of insurance in Exhibit B.

After the May 26, 2021 hearing, on June 9, 2021, the Commission approved a motion to grant the petition of ORS to revoke the certificates of public convenience and necessity of the motor carriers listed in Revised Exhibit A for failure to maintain and file evidence of insurance. This revised list of noncompliant motor carriers is incorporated in this Order as Order Exhibit 1.

III. LAW

The Commission has the statutory duty to regulate every motor carrier in the State of South Carolina pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 58-23-1010 (2015) and to revoke or suspend certificates pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-175 and 103-240 (2012).

"The commission shall regulate every motor carrier in this State and fix or approve the rates, fares, charges, classifications, and regulations pertaining to each motor carrier, except as provided in <u>Section 58-23-20</u>." S.C. Code Ann. § 58-23-1010 (2015).

No corporation or person, his lessees, trustees, or receivers may operate a motor vehicle for the transportation of persons or property for compensation on an improved public highway in this State except in accordance with the provisions of this chapter . . . and any such operation is subject to control, supervision, and regulation by the commission in the manner provided by this chapter.

§ 58-23-20.

The commission may, after a hearing, order the suspension, revocation, alteration, or amendment of any certificate issued pursuant to Articles 1 through 11 of this chapter, if it is proved that the holder of the certificate wilfully made any misrepresentation of a material fact in obtaining his certificate or wilfully violated or refused to observe the laws of this State touching motor vehicle carriers or wilfully violated any of the terms of his certificate or of the commission's proper orders, rules, or regulations.

§ 58-23-320.

The commission shall, in ordering the issuance of a certificate, require the applicant to procure and file with the Office of Regulatory Staff either liability and property damage insurance, a surety bond with some casualty or surety company authorized to do business in this State, or a certificate of self-insurance as provided by Section 56-9-60 on all motor vehicles to be used in the service in that amount as the commission may determine, insuring or indemnifying passengers or cargo and the public receiving personal injury by reason of any act of negligence and for damage to property of any person other than the assured. The policy, bond, or certificate of self-insurance must contain those conditions, provisions, and limitations as the commission may prescribe and must be kept in full force and effect and failure to do so is cause for the revocation of the certificate.

§ 58-23-910.

The owner or owners of all motor vehicles transporting goods of any kind for hire on the roads of this State are hereby required as a condition precedent for using the highways of this State to carry with some reputable insurance company liability insurance and property damage insurance in such sums as the Public Service Commission may determine. Any person or corporation violating the terms of this provision shall be fined in an amount of not less than one hundred dollars or not more than five hundred dollars for the first offense and an amount of not less than five hundred dollars or not more than two thousand dollars for each subsequent offense or shall suffer imprisonment of a term of not less than thirty days or not more than one year for the first offense and for not less than six months or not more than three years for each subsequent offense.

§ 58-23-920.

Before any certificate can be issued and before any motor carrier operations can be conducted thereunder, the motor carrier must provide and have accepted by the ORS evidence of insurance policy or surety bond from an insurance company licensed or admitted to do business in South Carolina or self-insurance in the amounts hereinafter prescribed

S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-170 (2012).

Regulation 103-171 mandates a motor carrier must submit certain forms to provide proof of insurance. "Evidence of Insurance Filed on Form E. Filing evidence of bodily injury and property damage insurance will be made on Form E, 'Uniform Motor Carrier Bodily Injury and Property Damage Liability Certificate of Insurance.'" Regs. 103-171(1). "Form F must be attached to Policy. The 'Uniform Motor Carrier Bodily Injury and Property Damage Liability Insurance Endorsement,' Form F (see Form F in 23A S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 38-447), must be attached to the bodily injury and property damage insurance policy itself." Regs. 103-171(2).

Regulation 103-172 sets forth the limits of liability for motor carriers. Regulation 103-173 requires Class E household goods certificate holders to maintain cargo insurance: "Before any Class E Certificate can be issued and before any motor carrier operations can be conducted thereunder, the Class E motor carrier must procure a cargo insurance policy or cargo surety bond" Regs. 103-173. "Evidence of Cargo Insurance Filed on Form H. Evidence of cargo insurance will be filed on Form H, 'Uniform Motor Carrier Cargo Certificate of Insurance." Regs. 103-174(1).

The Commission has the authority to suspend the certificate of a motor carrier who fails to file the required insurance.

A failure to file evidence of insurance, self-insurance or surety bond shall be just cause for the commission, without further evidence or hearing, to suspend its order granting authority or to suspend the certificate or any license issued to the motor carrier. A failure to keep all insurance, selfinsurance or surety bond in full force and effect shall result in automatic suspension, upon receipt of an affidavit from the ORS with supporting evidence, of the commission's order granting authority, the certificate, and any license issued to the motor carrier, with the suspension becoming operative as of the effective date of the cancellation of the motor carrier's insurance, self-insurance or surety bond.

Regs. 103-175.

The commission may at any time, after notice and opportunity to be heard, suspend, revoke, alter, or amend any certificate, if it shall be made to appear that the holder has willfully violated or refused to observe orders, rules, or regulations prescribed by the commission, provisions of the Motor Vehicle Carrier Law, or any other law of this State regulating motor carriers for hire and applicable to the holder of such certificate

Regs. 103-240.

IV. FINDINGS OF FACT

After review of all of the evidence presented in the Application, the results of the ORS review, the Commission makes the following findings of fact:

- 1. The motor carriers listed in Exhibit A to the Petition of ORS were duly noticed of the requirement to answer the Petition and of the date of the hearing.
- 2. The motor carriers listed in Revised Exhibit A did not present evidence to the Commission in response to the Notice.
- 3. The Commission held a hearing on May 26, 2021, to examine all evidence regarding the allegations contained in the petition of ORS.
- 4. ORS presented substantial evidence, in the affidavit of Carole Chauvin and the testimony of Chauvin at the hearing, to support a finding the motor carriers listed in Revised Exhibit A failed to maintain and provide proof of insurance as prescribed by law.

V. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based upon the evidence in the record, the aforementioned findings of fact, and applicable law, the Commission makes the following conclusions of law:

- 1. The Commission has the authority to regulate every motor carrier in the State of South Carolina pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 58-23-1010 (2015) and to revoke or suspend certificates pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-175 and 103-240 (2012).
- 2. The motor carriers listed in Revised Exhibit A to the Petition of ORS failed to maintain and provide proof of insurance as required pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 58-23-910 (2015) and Regulations 103-171 to 174.
- 3. The certificates of the motor carriers in violation of the law should be suspended pursuant to Regulations 103-175 and 103-240.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. The Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity held by those motor carriers listed in Revised Exhibit A, attached to this Order as Order Exhibit 1, are revoked and suspended for the motor carriers' failure to maintain and provide proof of insurance as required by statutory and regulatory law.
- 2. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:



Justin T. Williams, Chairman Pyolic Service Compission of South Carolina

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Revised Exhibit A - Carriers Out of Compliance for Failure to Maintain and File Evidence of Insurance
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No. Docket No	Cert Type	NAME	DBA	ADDRESS	CITY	State	ZipCode
	Class C Charter	AA Coastal Transportation of SC, LLC		3887 Stillwood Dr	Myrtle Beach	SC	29588
2 2018-351-T	Class C Charter Bus	AA Coastal Transportation of SC, LLC		3887 Stillwood Dr		SC	29588
3 1998-574-T		AAA A-1 Airport Limo Shuttle, LLC		PO Box 60489	N Charleston	SC	29419
4 2006-361-T	Class C Charter Bus	AAA A-1 Almort Limo Shuttle, LLC		PQ Box 60489		SC	29419
5 2012-349-T	Class C Taxi	Apple Express Transportation, LLC		PO 80x 1600		SC	29464
6 1997-261-T	Class E HHG	Atlantic Transfer & Storage Co., Inc.		7370-B East Spartan Blvd		SC	29418
7 2018-298-T	Class C Taxi	Brenda Pendergrass	BP Taxi		Hartsville	SC	29550
8 1998-523-T	Class C Charter Bus	Brooks Transit Charter Service, Inc.		2629 Flamingo Drive		SC	29209
9 2017-100-T		BTL Unlimited LLC		235 Manatee Rd		SC	29059
10 2004-171-T	Class C Charter Bus	C & F Charter Service, LLC		PO Box 42		SC	29943
11 2018-250-T	Class C Charter	Casper Rides LLC		111 Brockman Dr	Mauldin	SC	29662
12 2013-369-T		Charleston City Transportation L.L.C.		2459 Lantern St		SC	29414
13 2007-434-T	Class C Taxi	City Taxi, LLC		219 Longmont Dr	Lexington	SC	29072
14 2018-273-T	Class C Charter	Classic Choice Limo LLC		587 Yellow Leaf Ln	Summerville	SC	29486
	Class C Charter Bus	Coffield's Charter and Tour, LLC		7419 Powell Rd		SC	29440
	Class C Charter Bus	Columbia Brew Bus LLC		1004 C Ave	W Columbia	SC	29169
	Class C Charter	Crowned One Limo & Transportation LLC		138 Adthan Circle	Goose Creek	SC	29445
	Class C Non-Emer	Darrick Campbell	Demions Transportation	237 Laurel Ln Lot 2		SC	29506
19 2003-173-T	Class C Taxi	David Lee Lesesne				SC	29150
20 2007-84-T	Class C Taxi	DJ's Transportation, LLC		116 Fairhaven Dr		SC	29445
	Class C Non-Emer	East Coast Electronics LLC	ECE	14 E Butler Rd Ste A		SC	29662
	Class C Non-Emer	Eddie's Take You There Service, LLC		2112 Ozelma Dr		SC	29536
23 2016-229-T	Class C Non-Emer	El Shaddai Medical Transportation Services, LLC		2308 Timberlane Dr	Florence	SC	29506
	Class C Charter Bus	Emerald Tours Inc. LLC		PO Box 4661		SC	29240
25 2015-315-T		Ervin Parker		624 Middleberg Way	Florence	SC	29505
	Class C Charter Bus	Ethel P. Isaac	Unistyle PCL Tours	PO Box 113	Lynchburg	SC	29080
27 2012-281-T	Class C Charter Bus	Express Transportation, Inc.		9572 Sidney Hayes Rd Ste 103		FL	32824
	Class C Charter	Exquisite Ground Transportation, SE		7320 Broad River Rd Ste K-260	Irmo	SC	29063
		F & S Transportation, LLC		14 Lancer Ct.		SC	29203
30 2003-232-T	Class C Charter Bus	Getaway Travels & Tours, LLC				SC	29116
31 2018-393-T	Class C Non-Emer	Grateful med transportation lic		21 Oaks Plantation Rd	St. Helena Island		29920
32 2019-69-T	Class C Non-Emer	Holman Tri-County Transportation LLC		1125 Elm St W		SC	29924
	Class C Charter	J. E. Place		PO Box 583	Sullivan's Island	SC	29482
	Class C Taxi	Jafer Parker			Florence	SC	29505
	Class C Charter	James Jones	Jones & Son Limo Transportation	1374 Rifle Range Rd	Mt Pleasant	SC	29464
36 2013-226-T	Class C Charter	James Kostarelos	19th Hole Shuttle and Limo Service	400 Ladykirk Ln	Myrtle Beach	SC	29579
37 2016-213-T	Class C Charter	Jerome Singleton	Executives Transportation Services	1014 W Shady Grove Rd	Irmo	SC	29063
38 2000-141-T	Class E HHG	Jimmy Coats	Greenwood Moving & Storage	PO 80x 1261		SC	29648
39 2002-399-T	Class C Taxi	John F. Wilder			Sumter	SC	29150
40 2013-439-T		Jus In Time Taxi & Limo LLC		2698 Cainhoy Rd	Huger	SC	29450
41 2015-121-T		Kenneth Lee Johnson	Kenneth's Taxi		Hopkins	SC	29061
42 2011-500-T		KP of Camden, LLC	SC Palmetto Taxi		Camden	SC	29020
	Class C Charter Bus	Leon Robinson	Robbie's Charter	141 Meadowlake Dr		SC	29203
	Class C Non-Emer	LIL Services LLC		209 Northcliff Way		SC	29617
		Marrakesch, Inc.	MDL Transportation	408 Barnwell NW Ave Ste B	Aiken	SC	29801
		MedEXpress, LLC			Goose Creek	SC	29445
		Michael Boatwright	Boatwright's Transport			SC	29536
48 2016-265-T	Class C Non-Emer	MSK Transportation LLC		889 N Matthews Rd Bidg 881 Apt C2		SC	29560

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49 2014-476-T		On Time Transit LLC II		1161 Red Hill Rd	Camden	SC	29020
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	Class C Charter Bus	Pee Dee Community Fellowship Church		PO Box 12256	Florence	SC	29504
	Class C Charter	Peter J. Gueldner	Executive Limousine of SC	8805 Whippoorwill Ln	Indian Land	SC	29707
53 2001-274-T	Class C Taxi	Peter Singleton		113 Tuscany Ct	Ladson	SC	29456
	Class C Charter	Prestige Limousine Service, LLC		2740 Jamestown Road	Camden	sc	29020
		Renew Transportation LP		109 Midwood Rd	Travelers Rest	SC	29690
	Class C Charter Bus	Ritz Limousine and Entertainment Club, Inc.		9553 Edgerton Dr D-11	Myrtle Beach	SC	29572
		Rivers Charter & Tours LLC		PO Box 3366	W Columbia	SC	29171
		Royal Cabs, LLC		4685 Fish Hatchery Rd	Gaston	SC	29053
	Class C Non-Emer	Royalty on Board Transportation LLC		367 Langfordville Rd	Ridgeland	SC	29936
	Class C Taxi	Rudolph A. Bradley		PO Box 2139	Georgetown	SC	29442
	Class C Charter Bus	Saleeby Enterprises LLC		105 Paula Court	Conway	SC	29526
		SBL Investments, LLC		6570 St Peters Church Rd	Myrtle Beach	SC	29588
	Class C Stretcher Van		Coomes Non Emergency Medical Transport		Comer	GA	30629
		Stephen Coomes	Coomes Non Emergency Medical Transport	2833 Vinevards Creek Church Rd	Comer	GA	30829
		Style MB LLC	Ride in Style	129 Coachman Ln	Surfside Beach	SC	29575
	Class C Non-Emer	TDK Transporting LLC		23 Benjamin Smalts Rd	Seabrook	SC	29940
67 2016-163-T		The Charleston Bus, LLC		1308 E Montague Ave	N Charleston	SC	29405
	Class C Charter Bus	The Star Ship, Inc.		203 Flamingo Dr	Clayton	NC	27520
	Class C Non-Emer	Time To Move LLC		PO Box 3552	Aiken	SC	29802
70 2018-117-T	Class C Stretcher Van			PO Box 3552	Aiken	SC	29802
		Trav-all Transit LLC		4155 Gaines Mill Dr	N Charleston	SC	29420
	Class C Taxi	V.I.P. Transportation, LLC		1643-B Savannah Hwy Ste 375	Charleston	sc	29407
	Class C Non-Emer	Valerie Wallace		13401 Old McColl Rd	Gibson	NC	28343
74 2019-237-T	Class C Charter Bus	Williamsburg Tours LLC		462 Camelia Ln	Lake City	SC	29560
75 2014-48-T		Yellow Top Taxi LLC		867 Colony Dr #115	Charleston	SC	29407